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YOUNG WRITERS GROUP Free Summer Workshops at Solvang Library

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Solvang Library will host two creative writing workshops this July, one for incoming 4th and 5th graders, and another for 6th, 7th and 8th graders. Both workshops meet for two hours each day for four days, from Tuesday, July 9 to Friday, July 12, at the Solvang Library, 1745 Mission Drive. The younger group will meet from 10:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon, and the older group from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.

Aimed at improving young writers' skills by encouraging creativity and increasing confidence in their compositions, these programs will take the students through an assortment of activities to develop the manner in which they approach writing. The young writers will be exposed to multiple genres and styles of writing, encouraging the exploration of all forms of writing. No previous writing experience outside of school is needed.

Both workshops will be led by volunteer Cara Goodall, a credentialed teacher associated with the South Coast Writing Project at UCSB (SCRiP). The workshops are *free*, but registration is required. For registration form and workshop times, please call the Library 805-688-4214 or check the Library's online calendar at SBPLibrary.org.

The Young Writers Group is funded through the Friends of the Library of Santa Ynez Valley. The Solvang Library is a branch of the Santa Barbara Public Library System. All Library programs and events are **FREE** to the public.

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